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## Staff Sgt. Shawn H. McNabb Died on October 26, 2009 Operation Enduring Freedom

Staff Sgt. Shawn H. McNabb, 24, died Oct. 26, 2009, when his MH-47 helicopter crashed while conducting military operations in western Afghanistan.

McNabb was a native of Terrell, Tex., and volunteered for Army service in July 2003. Following basic training at Fort Benning, Ga., and advanced individual training at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., McNabb served with the 702nd Combat Support Medical Company at Camp Casey, South Korea, as a health care specialist. In October 2005 he was assigned to the 57th Air Medical Ambulance Company at Fort Bragg, N.C., as a flight medic. In 2008 he successfully assessed with the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne) as an emergency care sergeant. McNabb arrived to 3rd Battalion, 160th SOAR (A), in Savannah, Ga., in July 2008.



He was a combat veteran with five deployments, all in support of the Global War on Terrorism.

His military training includes the Warrior Leader Course, Special Operations Training Course, the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Course, the Special Operations Combat Medic Course, the Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course, Advance Trauma Life Support Course, the Flight Medic Course, the Emergency Medical Technician Ambulance Course, and Airborne School. McNabb's awards include the Air Medal, the Army Commendation Medal for Valor, the Army Commendation Medal, three Army Achievement Medals, the Meritorious Unit Commendation Medal, two Army Good Conduct Medals, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Defense Service Medal, the Iraqi Campaign Medal-Campaign Star, the Global War On Terrorism Service Medal, the Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the Basic Aviation Badge, and the Parachutist Badge.

McNabb is survived by his parents, David and Ann McNabb, of Terrell, Tex.

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